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Applicant : Ichikai Kamihira
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For : CHARACTERISTIC CONTROL
DEVICE FOR CONTROL
SUBJECT
Examiner : Ronald Hartman Jr.
Group Art Unit : 2121

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Katsuhiro Arai, Reg. No. 43,315RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the communication from the Examiner mailed June 29, 2004. In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the communication, Applicant elects to prosecute Group II, Claims 5-7 and 17-23, drawn to a method of control utilizing two separate controllers. This election is made without traverse.

No fees are believed due for the present Amendment, however, should any fees be due, please charge them to our deposit account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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